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SHIRLEY W. ALLEN, 1909. "Still have the opportunity to penetrate wilderness country late in the summers after a busy academic year and summer school. Saw Mt. Whitney country and Sawtooth Mountains of Idaho past summer and wound up at the Denver Inter-American Conference on the Conservation of Renewable Natural Resources."

WILLIAM P. HARLEY, 1915. "At the annual convention of the Mountain States Lumber Dealers held in Denver in February, I was elected president for 1948. The association is made up of lumber dealers in Wyoming, Colorado and New Mexico."

MILO H. DEMING, 1920. "At present in charge of range research at Squaw-Butte-Harney Range and Livestock Experiment Station. This is a cooperative enterprise sponsored jointly by U. S. Bureau of Land Management and Oregon State Agricultural College Experiment Station. This station operates a grade Hereford herd of about 400 animals on an experimental basis and conducts a year round operation at three locations."

... I am serving on the Executive Committee of the Range Management Subdivision of the Society of American Foresters. Have also been nominated for Council of the American Society of Range Management.

My personal professional interests are centered now on proving the results of range surveys for grazing capacity by utilization checks and studying ecological changes of range vegetation types of the Intermountain and the Great Basin country due to manipulative practices of man—as grazing, fire, water storage and diversion, reseeding to exotic species."

JOSEPH HOWELL, JR., 1925. "I am still trying to get back into some field branch, but so far have been unsuccessful. So instead I must satisfy myself with doing the next best by teaching of all things chemistry as well as biology."

R. B. MCKENNAN, 1926. "Obye and Loerch, undergraduates from Ames, were on the Pike this summer and performed in a highly commendable manner."

GORDON C. HUTCHINGS, 1927. "I have been raising Colorado Rainbow Trout since 1929 and hope to continue as long as people want to eat these delicious fish. . . We allow the public to fish for these trout and they pay by the pound for what they catch. We also sell at wholesale to hotels, cafes and markets and for stocking private ponds."

WALTER L. SCHIPULL, 1927. "Had a grand visit with the I.S.C. gang on Priest Lake in August, 1948, while I was on an inspection trip in Region 1. Conditions have changed a great deal since the summer of 1925 when Latham, McKinley and I fought fire in that region incidental to blister rust and survey activities."

WILLIAM M. LEPLEY, 1928. "Taught at Univ. of California this summer. I intended to look up Swede Nelson, but didn't get around to doing it. Haven't seen an Iowa State Forester for fifteen years. Please drop in and see me."

H. G. MEGINNIS, 1928. "Back in the South again after a four-year stretch in the Washington office. Have seen many old friends from Iowa State in the last few years, but Ames Foresters are still few and far between in this part of the country."

ROLAND ROTTY, 1928. "I run into Ames men everywhere—three of the thirteen Region 3 Forest Supervisors are Ames men; Beveridge ('29)

of the Gila, Lessel ('12) of the Kaibab, and me ('28). The Chief of Personnel, McCutchen ('29), is an Ames man. Then there is Robert Jackson ('48) here on Coconino timber sales. Lloyd Hall, Roger Morris Hugh Cassidy and Walter Graves are on various other Region 3 forests."

LUTHER B. BURKETT, 1930. "After six years as T.M. staffman, I am beginning to feel like a permanent fixture here. I like the job. We are selling lots of timber and planting about 2,300,000 trees a year. A new type map is in preparation from recent photos. My son may be at Ames soon to bolster up that football team . . . 14 years old . . . 175 pounds . . . 6 feet tall . . . alternate right guard, fullback and center on an unbeaten team."

ROBERT DEAN HOLTZ, 1930. "I have been Superintendent of the Fort Apache Indian Agency since March 1946. This is the most important timber Indian reservation in the southwest, with some 2 billion feet of standing timber. There are still some timber units that have not been intensively cruised, although most of the units have complete management plans. Timber cutting is done on a sustained yield basis. Timber sales, fire protection and range management are important programs on this reservation of over 1,660,000 acres in the east central part of Arizona."

CLARENCE D. CHASE, 1931. "Thanks to the intense interest in the forest resource picture and splendid teamwork among a number of co-operators, the Forest Survey of the Lake States is going along fine. Large areas of the northern forests are being photographed from the air at 4 inches to the mile scale, using infra-red film and minus blue filter. These photos should be of considerable value to forest managers. The industry is thinking more and more of managing forests for greater production and for sustained yields. Forestry is on the move in the Lake States."

KURT ZIEBARTH, 1931. "Iowa State foresters are scarce in these parts. Floyd Ryan was here in the state but understand he is back in Iowa. Hear that Goodspeed may join us before long. Forestry has progressed rapidly in West Virginia in the past half-dozen years and prospects for the future look even brighter."

LAWRENCE M. GIBSON, 1933. "Foresters go into many branches of wood industries. The Iowa State background is very good for many. Thus it happened that I ended up manufacturing sulphite pulp. . . . The mill is a specialty mill and makes posters, hanging, halftone, yellow dog second sheets, book, envelope, mimeograph, offset bond, ledger and manifold paper. . . . We produce both groundwood and sulphite for news. Also sell bleached sulphite on the pulp market. . . (Improved) will have 100 ton capacity for bleached sulphite and 45 tons of groundwood per day."

DONALD J. HODGES, 1935. "Have been here in Estes Park for four years. Had a good visit with Walt Graves this summer when he was on tour of this Region with a gang of R-3 then studying range conditions. Also had a short visit with Ed Vanden Oever as he was passing through town with his family."

K. C. COMPTON, 1936. "The three Ames foresters here, L. E. McCormick, '31, Bob McDermott, '43, and myself, are holding our own with the four staff members who have degrees from Yale. We have a few more students than last year, about 130 altogether, and so far, we are not teaching more than two sections in any course.

I have seen several of the Ames foresters during the past year.

Three of them, Carroll Fisk, '40, Karl Lehmann, '39, and Martin Grau, '36, are working for the Missouri Conservation Commission. Recently I saw Max Lane, '40 and Carroll at the logging show near Harrisburg, Ill. Bruce Bebensee, '40 dropped in on us on his way from Council Bluffs to Meridian, Miss., where I formerly worked."

GEORGE D. BURMA, 1938. "Transfer and promotion Oct. 18, 1948 from Colville Agency, Nespelem, Wash. Worked with Bob Rommel, U.S.F.S., Wenatchee, Wash., this Fall setting up some grass seeding experiments on the Colville Reservation. Would like to hear of I.S.C. foresters in this part of the country."

HERMAN K. PFEIFFER, 1938. "There are few young cruisers around and it seems that the opportunities are excellent for new entrants into this phase of private enterprise. However, if you like to sit behind a desk don't try it."

KENNETH W. SAUER, 1938. "Saw Nelson Schlemmer, his wife Velma, and 5 year old son Bobby in Iowa last August, just prior to our moving to Chicago. See George F. Wilhelm and wife Anne occasionally. He has been vice-president of the R. S. Bacon Veneer Co. of Chicago for several years. Saw Dorsey Morris, his wife Charlotte, and son Peter at the home of Charles Tice in Milwaukee in September. Charles and Marguerite (Whaley)—both Ames grads—have two girls, Peggy, 8 years, and Kathy 4 years. Saw Coen C. Ehrenhard several times while we lived in Iowa. Coen and Lillian have two boys and a girl—Erwin, 8 years, Stephen, 5 years, and Dianne, 3 years."

CLIFFORD O. SWANSON, 1938. "Have made good use of my civil engineering training received at Iowa State by running levels and other work for drainage and tiling in this vicinity."

JOHN R. WILSON, 1938. "Started with Weyerhaeuser Sales Co. Nov. 1, 1947. I have charge of the sale of lumber cut to size for manufacturers, covering the entire U. S. Furnishing lumber cut to exact size is just another phase of lumber utilization. Should develop into a large field."

HAROLD B. BJORNSON, 1939. "After this year—who knows where we will be? We keep in contact with Wayne Chambers occasionally. He is now a papa. Our third girl, Joyce Ann, arrived June 7, 1948."

LAURESS C. COLLISTER, 1939. "Had a swell trip to Spartanburg, S. C. to inaugurate a test of vapor-dried ties on the Santa Fe. While there—had a good visit with Vern Cutler and Gene Middleswart. There's going to be more and more places for men with forestry-chemical background in the wood preservation field, and it's really an interesting field."

EARL W. GATES, 1939. "I would like to see more Ames Foresters in plywood business. I believe there's a big future in it."

ROBERT B. GRAU, 1939. "I am convinced that it is not necessary for a timber operator to "butcher" the timber and that cutting under good forestry principles can pay both the operator and the timber owner, and I aim to prove it."

ROBERT N. HOSKINS, 1939. "I am particularly pleased to note a greater number of Iowa State College graduates from the Southeast. I hope this trend continues and more graduates will seek employment in industry, as well as state and federal services."

MARTIN B. APPLEQUIST, 1940. "On July 22, 1948 our second boy, Mark Alan, arrived on the scene . . . The sophomore and freshman classes

have definitely tapered off a little which helps in some of our work here. The class of 1950 will be the largest in the school's (L.S.U.'s) history."

DAYTON W. COUNTRYMAN, 1940. "After finishing law school at Iowa City this June, I scouted the country for a location and decided that Iowa is a good place to be and that Story County is the best within Iowa."

MAX H. LANE, 1940. "Am in charge of Southern Illinois Forestry Headquarters north of Benton on Route No. 37. Would appreciate having any of you Ames Foresters drop in. . . Lots of Ames Foresters here in Illinois, and openings for more in the near future."

FLOYD T. RYAN, 1940. "My position as farm-forester in this area is in charge of the Turtle Mountain Woodland Management Project. The purpose of the project is to furnish farm woodland owners with technical assistance in the management of their woodlands and the marketing of forest products."

RICHARD L. QUINTUS, 1941. "My major activity is to obtain and analyze data concerning the growth of the reserve stand and stocking on private cut-over pine forests in eastern Oregon. In addition, as the seasons develop, I supervise direct seeding projects, participate in insect control work, make annual cone surveys, and collect seed for reforestation."

SEYMOUR I. SOMBERG, 1941. "Now have a baby girl, Debra Lynne, age 4½ months. Doing private consulting work out of Manning, S. C. See Bob Hoskins of S.A.C. quite often."

THEODORE R. YOCOM, 1941. "I am in charge of all artificial regeneration projects—which means both seeding and planting programs. We plant between 800,000 and 1,000,000 trees each year. . . We are now laying plans for seeding a 4,000 acre area by helicopter. . . It is our policy here to rely on natural regeneration as much as possible on our recently logged areas. . . In my spare moments I have done a lot of work in completing our timber inventory and calculating our cutting budgets. . . Don Borglum and Jack Larson both are working here at the Longview Branch of the Weyerhaeuser Timber Co."

GEORGE A. BUCK, 1942. "I would very much appreciate hearing from some of you active participants in the field of Range Management, and also some of my old friends."

EDWARD H. CLARKE, 1942. "Came here in September to take charge of this two year pre-forestry curriculum. Have met two other I.S.C. foresters in this area with the T.V.A."

ARTHUR F. QUIRIN, 1942. "I recently have been promoted to Sales Manager of the Willamette Valley Lumber Co., at Dallas, Ore. . . There are a lot of opportunities for energetic foresters in private industry. Industry is proving this fact by hiring them quite readily. Those that have good general experience usually have the best opportunity if they are really willing to work."

GEORGE I. PORTER, 1943. "Had to start selling fishing rods and gun implements to find time to do the hunting and fishing I wanted. Wouldn't do for a married man though, as I have New England, New York, and Pennsylvania for territory."

WARREN T. DOOLITTLE, 1946. "Have been working on Forest Management studies in conjunction with setting up a research program of Compartment (100 acres) Management entailing two clearcutting treatments and three levels of selection systems of management. The program

is being carried out in Appalachian hardwoods with usage of the best silvicultural techniques known today."

VIRGIL O. SEISER, 1946. "My work is primarily in land classification, land planning and other work connected with the protection and disposal of public domain under the Dept. of Interior."

ROY R. FISHER, JR., 1947. "You might say there's no connection between this and forestry, but it could be considered wood utilization and that's not too far. Selling is a great field and should not be overlooked when considering a vocation."

GERALD W. VANGILST, 1947. "I was married to Miss Jean Lea Farrar of Joplin, Mo., on June 27, 1948. On July 16 I accepted a civil service appointment on the Apache National Forest. I'm in charge of the timber stand improvement work and am enjoying my work very much. There are Iowa State Forestry graduates on practically all the National Forests in Region 3."

FRANCIS T. COLBERT, 1948. "We all know that one should never underestimate the power of a woman. Likewise one should never underestimate the prestige of Iowa State and Prof. Mac's Department of Forestry! Around here Iowa Staters are thicker than fleas on a hound and are accorded no little respect—just by virtue of being from Iowa State."

ROSS L. TEUBER, 1948. "Expect to be in a Junior Professional-Orientation course at Albuquerque the second week of January. Hope to see a number of my old classmates there. Am also taking a series of Forest Service correspondence courses this winter. Should keep me pretty busy this winter in spite of the small amount of field work that can be accomplished. . . Am also revising my write-up on the experimental work I did in my senior year there to be submitted for publication in the notes section of the Journal of Forestry. . . . Have gained some excellent experience in marking and cruising timber, as well as doubling on fire look-out and fire fighting duty. Have carried out a few Christmas tree sales, and am becoming familiar with numerous reports and administrative duties. . ."

